

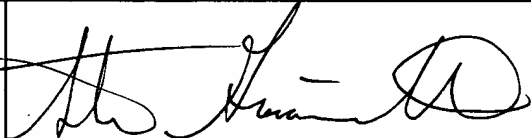
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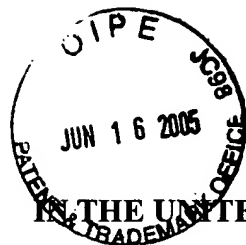
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Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the March 16, 2005 Office Action issued by the Examiner in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Office Action is due June 16, 2005. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed. Please amend the subject application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.